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76 KILLED IN TEUTON AIR RAID ON ENGLAND

174 Persons, Many Women and Children, Injured in Aeroplane Attack.

BRITISH RETURN FIRE

Royal Crafts Battle Enemy Above Channel—Bloodiest Sky Fight of War.

By United Press
LONDON, May 26.—Death-dealing German attacks by sixteen enemy air crafts resulting in the killing and injuring of scores of women and children and followed by battles in the clouds between British and enemy air planes yesterday marked the bloodiest air attack on England since the war's opening.

Details revealed today in Admiralty and Home Defense statements place the casualties officially at 76 killed and 174 injured. Twenty-three children and twenty-seven women were among the dead and forty-three women and nineteen children among the injured.

Royal Naval Air Service planes at Dunkirk called into action immediately swung into battle array above the Channel. Here a series of thrilling encounters occurred. One British machine gave battle to three enemy crafts and shot one of the trio to the ground. The other two sped on with other raiders to encounter more naval planes over the Belgium coast.

Far aloft, the two forces sailed and maneuvered and fought, before the enemy forces could escape. Two twin engine machines were shot down. Three enemy crafts are therefore accounted for.

The Home Defense statement names the German raiders as air crafts, which might be either aeroplanes or Zeppelins. The Admiralty statement talked of enemy air crafts, but likewise detailed encounters with "three hostile planes," and the destruction of "two twin engine hostile machines," indicating aeroplanes.

It is possible, therefore, that the German raiding force was composed of both aeroplanes and Zeppelins. Some houses and shops were seriously damaged.

Assuming the casualties in this raid were of non-combatants, the total number of civilians killed since the start of the war by German raids is raised to 305 killed and 729 wounded.

Allies Capture 120 at Cornillet.

By United Press
PARIS, May 26.—Further progress around Mount Cornillet and the taking of 120 German prisoners there, was reported in today's official statement. No general offensive movement was detailed.

Along the Chemin Dames, it was officially said, there was considerable artillery fire.

British Drive Gaining Again.

By United Press
LONDON, May 26.—The British offensive is apparently gaining momentum tonight for the great drive next week. Field Marshal Haig reported gains around Fontaine Les Croiselles and much raiding activity, indicating extensive reconnoissances.

DELEGATES ARE TEUTON AGENTS

Russians Warned That German Socialists Are Paid by Kaiser.

By United Press
PETROGRAD, May 26.—The full extent of the German peace plot through the alleged peace conference of Socialists at Stockholm was revealed to Russian Socialists tonight in a message received from the German Socialists of Hasse. The Central Empires, through the Socialists, told them to take notice that all German and Austrian Socialists attending the Stockholm meeting are disciples of Kaiserism and in the pay of the German government.

Mexico, Mo., Stock Show Called Off.

By United Press
MEXICO, Mo., May 26.—A shortage of show stock and the high price of feed caused the directors of the Mexico Fair association to call off the annual Mexico stock show for this year. The show has not been abandoned, according to the directors, and a show will be conducted in 1918.

Meeting of Fair Directors Postponed.

The meeting of the Boone County Fair Association directors that was to have been held yesterday afternoon was postponed until 1 o'clock next Saturday afternoon.

THE WEATHER

(Report Issued Yesterday)
For Columbia and vicinity: Generally fair and cooler tonight and Sunday, probably preceded by a thunderstorm this afternoon.
For Missouri: Generally fair and cooler tonight and Sunday.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES

National League.
Chicago 1, New York 4
Pittsburgh 1, Brooklyn 4
St. Louis 6, Boston 1
Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 7
American League.
New York 4, Cleveland 3
Boston 11, St. Louis 7
Philadelphia 8, Detroit 11
Washington 1, Chicago 1. (six innings, called on account of darkness)

GREAT SPY HUNT ON

Agents Search for Informants Who Warned Teutons of Flotilla Movements.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 26.—What is perhaps the greatest spy hunt the Government has instituted since the Civil War is in progress here today. Every secret investigation agent of the Government is engaged in ferreting out the men or women who "tipped" to Germany news that the American torpedo destroyer flotilla had left American shores for European waters in time for German submarines to mine the ports of arrival.

Careful censorship is imposed at Washington cable offices and the Mexican border telegraph points, but despite this the Germans had the news four days before the fleet arrived. Hidden wireless stations in this country or Mexico may have been the means of communication. Reports still persist that the Government has been unable to weed out all illicit wireless stations.

Spies at U. S. Wireless Station.

By United Press
PORTSMOUTH, Va., May 26.—Fifty shots were exchanged and Frederick Roach, wireless operator, was wounded in a brush between guards at the Government wireless station at Virginia Beach and supposed enemy agents here early today. The intruders were driven off after marines and blue jackets reached the scene. So far as could be learned today, none of the intruders was injured.

Fires on Suspected Spies.

By United Press
LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 26.—Suspected of being spies or dynamiters, two men were chased at the Glenn Martin Aeroplane Factory early today by a national guardsman doing sentinel duty on the roof. The guard fired two shots and chased the men, but they escaped. One carried a bundle believed to have been a bomb.

TALK MAY CHANGE SHIP PLANS

Goethals, Head of Shipping Corporation, Against Wooden Ships.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 26.—Friction between George W. Goethals, head of the United States Shipping Corporation, and the Shipping Board, which was evidenced in Goethals' speech in New York last night, will probably lead to a revision in America's ship-building program. Goethals is displeased with the plan to build wooden ships to solve the submarine problem and wants to proceed unhampered by the Shipping Board, which is headed by Chairman Denman.

DRAFT HOLIDAY INDORSED

Business Men Assure Gardner June 5 Will Be Observed.

By United Press
JEFFERSON CITY, May 26.—There was an almost instant response to the calling on business men of the state to make June 5—selective service registration day—a holiday in Missouri. Hundreds of letters from various cities in the state have assured the governor that the day will be one of patriotic celebration.

Chinese Red Cross to Go to France.

By United Press
PEKING, May 26.—Plans to send a Chinese Red Cross contingent to the European battle fronts to assist the American and allied Red Cross workers are being considered here today. Following a suggestion from President Chin of the Chinese Society, with headquarters at Shanghai, President Li Yuan-hung has passed favorably on the idea and ordered the finance department to furnish the necessary money.

ITALY'S ARMY NOW 14 MILES FROM TRIESTE

Advance on Queen City of Austria Continues With Fierce Fighting.

22,419 MEN TAKEN

Allied Force Proves Supremacy in Air—Adriatic Coast Bombarded.

By United Press
ROME, May 26.—Italy's mountain-climbing fighters are within fourteen miles of Trieste, Austria's "Queen City of the Adriatic." Tonight, violent fighting along the coast and northward in the mountain fastnesses edged the Cadorna troops still nearer and brought the total number of prisoners taken in the Italian offensive up to 22,419 on this front alone.

Today's victories from Castagnavizza to the Gulf of Panazza put the Italians in dominating positions before two cities, which are direct objectives in the great drive. The cities are Trieste and Taibach.

Italy has proved its supremacy in the air also during the past few days. Extensive operations have resulted in the direct menacing of Trieste. In the Adriatic the British and Italian fleets bombarded and ruined Austrian coast defenses.

Italian Troops Gain on Front.

By United Press
ROME, May 26.—Italian troops today stood victorious as masters of the vast and complicated system of fortifications which the Austrian forces have been constructing all winter to bar the way to Trieste. The heavy Italian hammering continued today and the troops advanced on practically every mile of the fighting front. More than 3,500 prisoners and further progress in the Carso front fighting was announced as the latest material achievement of the Italian offensive this afternoon. Much material was also captured. A total of 22,419 Germans and Austrians have been taken by the Italian troops during the advance on the Julian front from May 14 to 25.

26 KILLED BY TORNADO

Andale, Kan., Wiped Out by a Wind Storm Friday Evening.

By United Press
WICHITA, Kan., May 26.—Twenty-six bodies of victims of the tornado which wiped Andale, a town twenty-two miles northwest of here, off the map late today had been recovered and identified late today. Scores of injured are in the hospitals here.

Officials believe that the death list will reach thirty when other bodies believed to be in the wreckage are found. Several of the injured persons are expected to die.

DAREDEVILS TO PILOT PERSHING

American General Will Have Staff of Auto Speed-Demons.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 26.—Four of America's daredevil auto drivers have been picked to pilot the huge machines Major General Pershing and his staff will use on the western front. They are Ray Middleton, sales manager of a Detroit steel product company, John J. Jennings, sales manager of a Detroit banking firm, George Linthicum, head of the factory department of a big automobile factory, and Elgin Brain, successful daredevil race driver.

5 KILLED IN CROSSING ACCIDENT

Erie Train Hits Automobile Near Akron, Ohio.

By United Press
AKRON, Ohio, May 26.—Five young persons, two girls and three men, were instantly killed early today near here, when their automobile was hit by an Erie train. One man was injured. Parts of the automobile were scattered a thousand feet along the track. All the dead were badly mangled.

Gross Sales Taxes Struck Out.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 26.—The Senate Finance Committee this evening struck out of the House Revenue Bill the taxes on gross sales of manufacturers.

TIGERS ANNEX THIRD VALLEY TRACK TITLE

Missouri Is First With 57 Points—Huskies and Ames Almost Tie.

M. U. WINS RELAY

Wilkins Breaks Record in Pole Vault—Conference Cup Stays Here.

Taking first in the two hurdles and the broad jump, Bob Simpson in his last appearance in a Missouri Valley meet led the Tiger team to its third consecutive conference championship at Ames yesterday afternoon by a score of 57 points. The winning of this meet gives Missouri permanent possession of the Valley championship cup.

Nebraska, the team that was scheduled to give Missouri a fight for first honors, won second place with a score of 34 1-2 points. Ames took a close third with 34 points. Grinnell followed with 18 points. Kansas made a total of 12 1-2 points, Drake took seventh place with six points, and Simpson College came up for last place with one.

One Valley Record Broken.

The meet was uneventful as far as record breaking went. Wilkins of Ames broke the Valley record in the pole vault with a life of 12 feet 1 inch. The previous record was 12 feet.

Missouri took both the 880 and the mile relay, running the latter in 3 minutes and 30 seconds. Duncan ran true to form taking first in the mile run. Pittam brought in five points with a first in the high jump. His leap that scored was 5 feet 10 4-5 inches.

Calculations on the part of Missouri coaches before the team left for Ames gave Missouri the meet with 41 points and a possibility of being beaten out by Nebraska by bad breaks. The score of the meet indicates that Missouri was in danger at no time and that the Nebraska delegation was given credit for more strength than it possessed.

A Successful Athletic Year.

Missouri lost twenty-seven scoring points in the Valley meet, according to Coach H. F. Schulte, by seven of the M men leaving the University. Wyatt would have taken three points in the 440, leaving Rider to take second or third in the 880-yard run. Renick would have added six points with a second in both hurdle events. Warren would have been good for ten points in the weight events. Berry was slated for three points in these two events. Gableman, Teas and Williams would have added three points, and Corwin and Baker were possible point winners.

The Tigers finish with the track championship of the Valley the most successful athletic season the University of Missouri has ever had. The teams have taken the football, baseball and track championships of the Valley, and finished second in the fourth of the major sports, basketball. Yesterday afternoon, Newell and Warner, playing at Manhattan, Kan., brought in a fourth Valley championship by defeating the Kansas tennis team for the court championship.

KRUCKER DIES AWAITING TRIAL

Wounded When Visiting Wife, He Is Charged With Killing.

By United Press
ST. JOSEPH, May 26.—John Krucker, who was awaiting trial on a charge of wife murder, died early today. Krucker received wounds which led to his death on February 18, when on a visit to the home of his wife, from whom he had been divorced. It is alleged he shot her and turned the weapon upon himself.

Library Receives Historical Works.

Two large works "Records of the Connecticut State Society of the Cincinnati" and "Papers of the Connecticut State Society of the Cincinnati," were received at the library yesterday. The books consist of fac-simile reproductions of actual historical documents. They were printed by the Yale University Press and were presented to the Library by the Connecticut Historical Society of Hartford.

THE CALENDAR

May 27.—Baccalaureate Sermon of Stephens College by Dr. J. T. M. Johnston at 10:45 o'clock at the Baptist Church.
May 27.—Baccalaureate services of Christian College at 7:45 o'clock at the First Christian Church. Sermon by the Rev. L. J. Marshall of Kansas City.
May 28.—Annual Junior Recital Stephens College Department of Music, College Auditorium at 8 o'clock.
May 28.—"The Mikado," under the direction of Isaac Edward Norris, by students of Christian College and the University, at 8:30 o'clock in the Christian College Auditorium.
May 29.—Reception and display Home Economics and Art Departments of Stephens College, 3 to 6 p. m.
May 29.—"America," a historical pageant, under the direction of Mrs. Marion W. Hertig, by the Twelfth Night Club of Christian College, at 8:15 o'clock upon the college campus.
May 29.—"The Japanese Girl"—an opera given by the Stephens College Chorus. Forty voices, assisted by seven soloists, under the direction of Miss Agnes Husband.
May 30.—Class Day Program, Stephens College campus, 10:30 a. m.
May 30.—Commencement exercises at Stephens College Auditorium at 8 o'clock p. m. Address by J. H. Coursault.
May 30.—Senior Class Day at Christian College at 10:30 o'clock in the college auditorium and on the college campus.
May 31.—Commencement at Christian College with an address by Miss Mary McDowell of Chicago at 10 o'clock in the college auditorium.

10,000 AIRMEN TO GO

Plan Is to Blind Teuton Batteries by Gigantic Aviation Attacks.

By United Press
NEW YORK, May 26.—Immediate training and equipment of 10,000 American airmen for the European front was announced tonight by the United States Aircraft Production Board through President Frawley of the Aero Club of America.

"Ten thousand airmen, in addition to those now at the front, will enable us to blind German batteries, execute gigantic air raids and bring the war to an early end," Frawley said.

M. U. TAKES TENNIS TITLE

Newell and Warner Annex Fourth Championship.

Missouri won the Missouri Valley tennis championship at Manhattan, Kan., yesterday afternoon with Kansas second. Newell and Warner, representing Missouri, defeated the Jayhawkers in the doubles in straight sets, 6-3 and 6-4. Newell defeated Uhlis of Kansas in the singles, 6-3, 3-6, and 6-2. Warner reached the semifinals. Fred Williams, tennis captain, came down from Fort Riley to see his former team-mates play.

This is the first time Missouri has won the Valley championship in tennis since Nineten Hundred and Umpy-Ump. The clinching of the pennant in the racket-swinging tournament gives Missouri major honors in football, track, baseball and tennis, and second honors in basketball. The victory gives the Tigers supremacy this year over Kansas in all sports—except debating.

POLITICS MAY CHEAT U. S. ARMY

Fear Is That Local Boards May Exempt Some Without Cause.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, May 26.—Local community politics threaten to cheat America's new army of men it should have. That is the fear today of some men concerned in working out the selective service plan, and it is not alone a fear, for outcroppings of political angles have been evident recently.

In the first place, it is feared local boards might be swayed by political reasons in making exemptions. It is feared that local doctors, either by political or personal considerations, may "detect" physical defects where they do not exist, thereby freeing the man from draft.

GEORGE TAYLOR BREAKS ANKLE

Manager of Columbia Browns Twists Limb Sliding for Third.

George Taylor, manager of the Columbia Browns, broke his ankle yesterday afternoon, while playing baseball on Rollins Field. Taylor was playing first base in the Phi Gam-Phi Delt game. He hit for two bases in the third inning and later stole third, sliding to beat the throw. His ankle turned under the base and upon examination was found to be broken.

G. G. McCaustland Operated On.

Gynne G. McCaustland, a student in the University, was operated on for appendicitis at the Parker Memorial Hospital this morning. He is the son of Dean E. J. McCaustland of the School of Engineering.

BUSINESS MEN PLAN TO GET CAMP HERE

Training Center for Drafted Men May Be Located Near Columbia.

3 SITES SUGGESTED

Army Board Wants 10,000 Acres With Big Water Supply Daily.

Twenty-five enthusiastic Columbia business men met in the Boone County courthouse yesterday and considered the prospects of getting the government training camp for the drafted soldiers of Missouri, Kansas and Colorado at Columbia.

The board of army officers appointed by General Thomas H. Barry, commander of the Central Department, is looking over the available sites in the three states. They would like to get a site in Missouri, if possible, because of the natural advantages offered by the topography of the ground and the central location.

The site must contain 10,000 acres of ground from which one and a quarter million gallons of water can be used daily, and which is located near two or more railroads. The committee also desires to locate the camp where it will not be under the influence of a great city.

Three Sites Being Considered.

Mayor J. E. Boggs was elected chairman of the local committee and the prospects of landing the camp in Columbia were considered. Columbia can supply the necessary amount of water, the required ground and also an unlimited supply of coal, but cannot meet the railroad requirements. Three sites were proposed by the business men present: One north of Columbia, west of the Wabash tracks between Browns and Stephens; another south of Columbia along the M. K. & T. tracks and the third east of the city. The last, although not in touch with a railroad now, could be made available in a very short time.

The government committee requires that 1,000 acres of the land be suitable for drill and that the other 9,000 acres can be used for maneuvers, camps and artillery practice. At least 35,000 men will be stationed at the camp and these men will consume 40,000 pounds of foodstuffs daily, according to army officials.

Camp Would Bring 75,000 Men.

The camp would mean much to Columbia, according to local business men, for it would mean that at least 50,000 and possibly 75,000 men would be brought within five miles of Columbia, if the camp could be situated on one of the sites suggested.

Mayor J. E. Boggs called the site selection committee, which was in Carrollton today, and found that it would be impossible to get the committee to visit Columbia and to examine the sites that Columbia has to offer. The site must be selected before June 1, so it is still doubtful whether the sites near Columbia will be considered.

BANKER TO PREACH SERMON

Dr. J. T. M. Johnston Will Give Stephens Baccalaureate Today.

Dr. J. T. M. Johnston of St. Louis will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the Stephens College graduates at 10:45 o'clock today at the Baptist Church. Special music has been arranged. Dr. Johnston is a former resident of Ashland and is now a banker in St. Louis. He has given several thousand dollars to Stephens College. He is a brother of Miss Eva Johnston, adviser of University women.

ONCE AGAIN SHE IS CHAMPION

Miss Meryl Leavel Wins Women's Tennis Title for Third Year.

Miss Meryl Leavel, a junior in the School of Education, has for the third time won the University women's tennis championship, by defeating Miss Ruth Bilsbarrow in the finals in two straight sets, 6-4, 6-3.

Y. M. C. A. Speaker Unable to Be Here.

H. W. Anderson, who was to speak to the University men this afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, is unable to be present at this time. Mr. Anderson was to tell about the conditions in Russia.